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SUBJECT: ELIMA EDITOR COMMENTS ON MOBUTU'S LETTER OF
JUNE 16.

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1. SUMMARY. IN PARALLEL COLUMNS TO TEXT OF MOBUTU
LETTER (REFTEL), ELIMA EDITOR ESSOLOMWA THANKS MOBUTU
FOR HEEDING APPEALS FOR CLARIFICATION OF COUP RUMORS,
EMPHASIZES STRONG TIES BETWEEN MOBUTU AND HIS PEOPLE,
OF WHOM ONLY A FEW TRAIBORS INVOLVED, REAFFIRMS US
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INVOLVEMENT AND THREATENS REPRISALS AGAINST AMERICANS

IN ZAIRE SHOULD HARM BEFALL MOBUTU. END SUMMARY.
EXTRACTS FOLLOW.

2. QTE. BUT THERE IS ONE THING WE MUST POINT OUT. IN HIS LETTER, THE GUIDE DID NOT ACCUSE BY NAME THE BIG POWER WHOSE MACHIAVELLIAN DESIGNS HE REVEALED. AS A MILITANT, AND IN VIEW OF THE INFORMATION IN OUR POSSESSION SINCE THE HINTON AFFAIR, WE CAN AFFIRM WITHOUT FEAR OF CONTRADICITION THAT IT IS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

3. QTE. BUT NOW PUBLIC OPINION IS FULLY INFORMED. IF SOMETHING WERE TO HAPPEN TO THE PRESIDENT-FOUNDER OF THE MPR--AN EFFORT TO SABOTAGE HIS PROGRAM OR AN ATTEMPT ON HIS PERSON--LET THE YANKEES KNOW THAT NOT ONE OF THEM WOULD LEAVE ZAIRE ALIVE.

4. QTE. THE AMERICANS INDULGE IN BANDITRY IN THEIR COUNTRY. WE KNOW THEY ARE PAST MASTERS IN POLITICAL ASSASSINATIONS BUT THEY CANNOT IMPORT THEIR BANDITRY INTO OUR COUNTRY WHICH ASPIRES ONLY TO PEACE. AND IF THEY OFFER US THEIR FRIENDSHIP AT THAT PRICE, THE ZAIRIAN PEOPLE WILL BE OBLITED TO PUT AN END TO THESE PERFIDIOUS RELATIONS.

5. QTE. HOWEVER, WE KNOW, AS THE GUIDE EMPHASIZED, THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE IS STRONG, GENEROUS AND GREAT; OF PEOPLE THAT ITSELF ONCE KNEW THE ANGUISH OF COLONIALIZATION AND FOUGHT FOR ITS INDEPENDENCE. IN SPITE OF ALL APPEARANCES, WE ARE CONVINCED THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE CONDEMNS--AS IT HAS ALREADY SHOWN IN THE SHOUTHEAST ASIAN WAR--ACTS OF DESTABILIZATION, OF BALKANIZATION OF PEACEFUL COUNTRIES, OF PIRACY, THAT A HANDFUL OF BANDITS CONTINUES TO PERPETRATE IN ITS NAME AROUND THE WORLD.

6. QTE. MOBUTU IS OUR CHIEF, OUR ONLY BELOVED GUIDE, WHO RESCUED US FROM CHAOS AND ANARCHY AND WHO GAVE US DIGNITY, PROSPERITY AND, ABOVE ALL, PRIDE IN BEING ZAIRIAN. WE COUNT ENORMOUSLY ON HIM AND WE PRAY TO OUR ANCESTORS THAT HE WILL LONG REMAIN AT THE HEAD OF
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OUR NATION TO FURTHER ITS DEVELOPMENT.

7. QTE. THE ZAIRIAN PEOPLE NEEDS REAL FRIENDSHIP, SINCERE COOPERATION AND HONEST AND NON-POLITICAL INVESTMENT, NOT BLOOD, ESPECIALLY THE SACRED BLOOD OF ITS BEST SONS.
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